

REMARKS

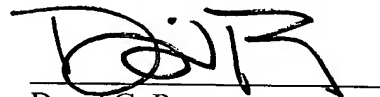
Examination of the present Rule 53(b) divisional application is respectfully requested.

The present application is a division of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/757,643 (the "parent application"), filed on January 11, 2001. In the present preliminary amendment, Applicant has amended the title to be descriptive of the presently claimed invention, the drawings, and the specification to cross-reference the parent application and, as in the parent application, to correct minor errors and to correlate the specification with the amended drawings.

The Examiner should note that the present application includes original claims 10-12 and 18-24, which were withdrawn from consideration and later cancelled during prosecution of the parent application. Claims 1-9, which were elected in a Response to an Election of Species dated September 20, 2002 in the parent application and identified as reading on Species A, and claims 13-17, which were withdrawn and canceled in the parent application, have been cancelled in the present application.

In view of the above remarks, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Although no additional fees are believed to be due, permission is hereby given to charge any unforeseen fees to deposit account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,



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